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LANGFORD HOUSE,
BANGALORE.
19th August 1920.

My dear sir,

In continuation of my letter of the 16th instant submitting a copy of my confidential and private letter to the Hon'ble the Resident, regarding the Cauveri Arbitration case, I beg to report for the information of His Highness that I called on the Resident and had a discussion with him on the situation that has arisen in regard to the informal conversations with Madras regarding the proposed settlement, and I understood that Sir Thomas Ward had sent Mr.Barton a telegram offering his advice on certain points. I took Mr.Cadambi with me to explain to Mr.Barton the technical points and as a result of our discussions, it was agreed that we should await the result of the conference that would take place at Madras on the 23rd instant, and that should any further hitch arise we may seek the assistance of Sir Thomas Ward and bring him down here. Mr.Barton admitted that Mysore had done all that was possible to bring about a settlement and in fact had conceded great many points and that if the negotiations fail, they will not be responsible. I pointed out that there was nothing to prevent Mr.Howley from placing the agreement before his Government and that the Dewan or the Member in charge might have then met His Excellency the Governor or the Hon'ble Mr.Davidson as the case may be, to discuss the political questions involved. As personally explained to His Highness, it appears to me that no one is willing to take any personal responsibility in bringing about an amicable settlement in this case and Mr.Davidson is probably inclined to let the Tanjore mirasidars have a say in the

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BANGALORE.
22nd August 1920.

My Dear Mr Ismail

I am enclosing draft of a D.O. to Mr. Barton and another to Sir John Wood and request that you will be good enough to let me know if His Highness approves of them.

Yours sincerely,

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Huzur Secretary to His Highness the Maharaja
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